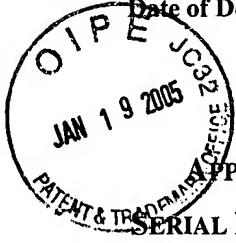


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NOTICE OF APPEAL

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 20, 2004, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's Final Office Action finally rejecting claims 2 and 4-15 in the above-identified application. A check in the amount of \$250.00 for filing this appeal is enclosed herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b)(1).

A petition and fee for a three-month extension is filed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 22493-501. A duplicate copy of this Notice is enclosed.

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